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# INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573

Assigned Recall No. <u>01E-021</u> by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: May 2, 2001

MANUFACTURER: Chalmers Suspensions International, Inc.

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: Mr. Steve Clarke General Manager

FAX: 905-624-9796

SUBJECT: 670 model year 2000 and possible 2001 trucks equipped with Chalmers suspensions shipped May 8, 2000, to June 9, 2000, and September 19, 2000, to October 6, 2000. These vehicles may have defective fixed fabricated torque rods which could cause lack of axle retention. Under these conditions, the driver could lose control of the vehicle, possibly resulting in a vehicle crash.

This is an <u>initial</u> acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

If you have any questions, please call:

Kelly Schuler, Safety Defect Analyst or Jonathan White, Chief at (202) 366-5227 or by FAX (202) 366-7882 Defect and Recall Information Analysis Division

Faxed on 5/14/01

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Mr. Steve Clarke General Manager Chalmers Suspensions International, Inc. 1136 Matheson Boulevard East, Mississauga Ontario, Canada, L4W 2V4 NSA-11kjs 01E-021

Dear Mr. Clarke:

We have reviewed Chalmers Suspensions International, Inc.'s (Chalmers) Defect Information Report dated April 25, 2001, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 670 model year 2000 and possible 2001 trucks equipped with Chalmers suspensions shipped May 8 to June 9, 2000, and September 19 to October 6, 2000. These vehicles may have defective fixed fabricated torque rods which could cause lack of axle retention. Under these conditions, the driver could lose control of the vehicle, possibly resulting in a vehicle crash. The assigned NHTSA identification number for this campaign is 01E-021.

Chalmers is responsible for the remedy of this equipment from this date forward, regardless of age or ownership.

#### NOTIFICATION TO PURCHASERS:

We have reviewed your proposed dealer/owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577. Please send any final documents pertaining to this recall when they become available.

#### QUARTERLY REPORTS

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. The calendar quarter began on April 1 and ends on June 30, 2001. Since owner notification will begin during this time period, your first quarterly report is due in this office by July 30, 2001.

The following chart provides due dates for each of the six quarterly reports.

<b>QUARTER</b>	QUARTER BEGINS	<b>QUARTER ENDS</b>	DUE DATE
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 3 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 5 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 6 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	April 1, 2001 July 1, 2001 October 1, 2001 January 1, 2002 April 1, 2002 July 1, 2002	June 30, 2001 September 30, 2001 December 31, 2001 March 31, 2002 June 30, 2002 September 30, 2002	July 30, 2001 October 30, 2001 January 30, 2002 April 30, 2002 July 30, 2002 October 30, 2002

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Kelly Schuler at (202) 366-5227 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

Jonathan D. White, Chief

Defects and Recall Information Analysis Division

Office of Defects Investigation

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Assigned Recall No. <u>01E-032</u> by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: June 20, 2001

MANUFACTURER: MGM Brakes

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: Mr. James Sicking

Assistant Vice President of Sales and Marketing

FAX: 704-547-9367

SUBJECT: 1,888 brake actuators manufactured by MGM Brakes between September 1999 and May 14, 2001, Part Nos. 3230130 and 3832085. A shorter pushrod was used than specified for this model. If the pushrod is shorter than this model regularly provides, in time, this will affect braking ability, possibly resulting in a vehicle crash.

This is an <u>initial</u> acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

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Faxed on 6/28/01